

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 298 - HB 413

March 16, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits certain adverse actions against a physician on the basis of the physician's failure to maintain a specialty medical board certification or maintenance of licensure under a framework for physician license renewal established through the Federation of State Medical Boards which includes additional periodic testing or requirements other than continuing medical education.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the proposed legislation will not impact health related programs or boards.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, the proposed legislation does not prevent a facility's credential committee from requiring physicians to meet continuing medical education requirements or the facility from requiring a physician to undergo remedial or corrective courses or training as required by a quality improvement committee; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Commerce and Insurance, the proposed legislation can be administered within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Medical Examiners had an annual surplus of \$359,446 in FY14-15, an annual surplus of \$382,952 in FY15-16, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$3,041,785 on June 30, 2016.
- The Board of Osteopathic Examination had an annual surplus of \$72,782 in FY14-15, an annual surplus of \$102,565 in FY15-16, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$713,249 on June 30, 2016.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

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Assumption:

- The proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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